AN ABSTRACT

Of a Large Printed Paper, from *Penſilvania*, Intituled, *A Brief ADMONITION to the* Elders *and* Miniſters *of the People called* QUAKERS.

"MAny Months have I been preſſed in Spirit to Warn you, the *Leaders* "and *Miniſters* of the People call'd *Quakers*—— *viz.* Tho' you "were careful, at your half Years Meeting of *Miniſters* at *Phila-* "*delphia*, the 6th of the 4th Month (*June*) laſt, to Forbid your "Friends *wearing a Speckled Neckcloth, a Ribband for a Hatband*, and the like; and "ſeem very Zealous to forbid your Friends to Marry with other Chriſtian "Profeſſors: Nay, and to warn them, on pain of *Judgment*, not to have ſo much "Society with your late Friends (whom you call Separates) as to go to their "Weddings, Preaching it up as a *Sin* ſo to do. And the Yearly Paper from "*London*, warning their Friends to keep to the plain Language of *Thee* and "*Thou*, *&c.* Yet, know aſſuredly, That tho' *Your Religion* lie in theſe *Outward* "*Ceremonies*, they are but Trifles—— And are Inſufficient to divert Divine "*Vengeance*, which is certainly *your Portion*, if you ſtill neglect, firſt to Cleanſe "the *Inſide* from *Pride* and *Envy*, againſt your fellow Creatures, for refuſing "Conformity to your Ways.

"And inaſmuch as you declare to the World, That you are Arriv'd to "ſuch a height of Perfection, beyond other Chriſtian Profeſſors, that you "are ſo far *free from Sin*, as that you have no need to ask Forgiveneſs; From "hence it is, That you do never, in your Prayers, in Meetings, ask Forgiveneſs of "Sin. [Tho' tis apparent, That there is no Religious Society this day in *Chri-* "*ſtendom*, that are Guilty of more *Whoredoms*, *Adultries*, and other *Foul* and "*Abominable Actions* than you have been, the Number conſidered.] There- "fore ceaſe your *Woes* and *Warnings* againſt the *Whoredoms* and *Abominations* "that are in the *World*, and firſt cry out againſt thoſe Things that are a- "mongſt your ſelves; firſt *Cleanſe your own Camp*, and then Warn others to "beware of theſe Evils, *&c.* By Daniel Leeds,

The aboveſaid *Admonition* (with others) being ſent from *Penſilvania* ſome time ago (put forth by one *Daniel Leeds*, an Antient *Quaker*) tis thought meet to have it Reprinted, and to be Communicated to the *Quakers* here, that ſo they may ſee (notwithſtanding their High Boaſt of being *Free from Sin*) That the *Whoredoms*, *Adultries*, and other Immoralities of their Friends beyond Sea, are as great, as theirs are here: And for which, there is great cauſe of Sorrow, and deep Humiliation, which that this Paper might be Inſtrumental to produce amongſt them, would be to the Joy, and true Rejoycing of ſome Sincere Souls that have Mourned for them; and that ſtill heartily deſires their Repentance and Amendment of Life; and that longs to ſee the Day, wherein they might be truly Humbled and Repent: This being the *Way*, and there is not another, for an Holy and Happy Reconciliation, both with the LORD, and all that truly Love, Fear, and Obey HIM, and that are Zealous for HIS Honour and Glory; of which Number, the Publiſher hereof deſires Evermore to be found, whilſt he has a Being in this World; that when his Days are Ended, and his Work Finiſhed for which he was Born, he may lay down his Head in Peace, and be receiv'd to Mercy with all the Holy *Ancients*. Even ſo *Amen* and *Amen*, is the humble Deſire, and conſtant Prayer of a Friend to the whole Creation.

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